MR. T. K. GOPALAN NAIR: 292 bales (Stock issued).

Complaints about the subordinates in the Revenue Department.

*440. *MR. P. O. THOMAS (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether they have received complaints about the subordinates in the Revenue Department in Parur and Kunnatnad in the years 1119 and 1120;

(*b*) if so, how many complaints in Parur and Kunnatnad taluks respectively:

(*c*) how many were enquired into;

(*d*) if so, how many were punished; and

(*e*) the average pendency of such complaints in the enquiry stage?

MR. T. K. GOPALAN NAIR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Kunnatnad 1119—3
1120—4

Parur 1119—Nil
1120—1

(*c*) All of them were enquired into.

(*d*) Kunnatnad 1119—None punished.
1120—Enquiry completed in three cases. None punished. One pending enquiry.

Parur 1120—One punished.

(*e*) Three months.

Ration rate of paddy.

441. *MR. GHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Thodupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that the agriculturists who sell their paddy to Government at Re. 1½ per para, are purchasing the same or other paddy at the ration rate of Rs. 2 or more per para?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Food Supplies*): Agriculturists who have to depend on ration have sometimes to purchase paddy at the rate at which it is distributed.

Pasture lands for cattle.

442. *MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the want of proper pasture lands for cattle in the State and if so, what steps have been taken to remedy this want?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: Yes, the ryots are advised to feed their cattle with fodder crops specially raised for the purpose in their own compounds. Sets and seeds of fodder crops are being distributed by the department free to the ryots to encourage the cultivation in all available areas.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know the total extent of pasture lands in the State?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: Only roughly about 2,000 acres.

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